November 15, 2018

Austin Evers 1030 15th Street NW, Suite B255 Washington, DC 20005

Re: Tracking Number DOC-ITA-2019-000131

Dear Mr. Evers:

This letter is the final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request submitted via email to the International Trade Administration (ITA) on October 23, 2018.

In your request you sought the following:

"All records reflecting communications (including emails, email attachments, and calendar entries/invitations) between agency officials in Column A and any of the individuals listed in Column B regarding the imposition of tariffs by the U.S. or other countries:"

After a thorough search, ITA has found no records responsive to your request. The Department has no obligation to create, compile, or obtain from outside the Department a record to satisfy a request (15 C.F.R. § 4.3(b)).

If you have any questions or concerns or would like to discuss any aspect of your request, you may contact the analyst who processed your request, Mayank Bishnoi, at 202-482-5413 or Mayank.bishnoi@trade.gov.

You may also contact ITA's FOIA Public Liaison, using the following information:

Victor E. Powers
Acting FOIA Officer
International Trade Administration
1401 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room 40003
Washington, DC 20230
(202) 482-5436, foia@trade.gov

Please refer to your FOIA request tracking number, DOC-ITA-2019-000131 when contacting ITA.



In addition, you may seek FOIA mediation services offered by the National Archives and Records Administration, Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). You may contact OGIS using the following information:

Office of Government Information Services
National Archives and Records Administration
8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS
College Park, MD 20740-6001
(202) 741-5770 or toll free, 1-877-684-6448
facsimile: (202) 741-5769; email: ogis@nara.gov

In accordance with 15 C.F.R. §§ 4.10(a) and (b), you have the right to appeal this determination within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Department deems appeals arriving after normal business hours (8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, Monday through Friday) as received on the next normal business day. If the 90th calendar day for submitting an appeal falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal public holiday, an appeal received by 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, the next business day will be deemed timely. The appeal should include a copy of the original request, this response, and a statement of the reasons why you consider the Department made this determination in error. Please mail written appeals to:

Assistant General Counsel for Litigation, Employment, and Oversight U.S. Department of Commerce 1401 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Room 5896 Washington, DC 20230

You may send an appeal by e-mail to FOIAAppeals@doc.gov, or through FOIAonline at https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home# if you have a FOIAonline account. Clearly mark "Freedom of Information Act Appeal", in the e-mail subject line, or on both the appeal letter and envelope.

Sincerely,

Victor E. Rowers

Director

Management Operations Division Office of the Chief Financial and

Administrative Officer

